

Public Participation #1 - Survey

The 2010-2014 Master Plan survey was disseminated in the following manner:

Print: Newspaper runs on November 6 and November 13, 2009.
Hard copies available in the Parks and Recreation office November 5-December 15
Web: Link to Survey Monkey posted to www.vigocounty.in.gov (Parks Department homepage)
November 5-December 15

Number of surveys collected:

Print: 21
Web: 168
Total: 189

Acknowledgement of suspected error in collected data:

It was apparent that some surveys were incorrectly completed. Notes would be made in the margins of the print copies or the 'other' in the web surveys, referring to Terre Haute city parks. This only further acknowledges the mistake community members continue to make, that there is a mistake in identifying city parks verses county parks. This confusion was present even when a map of ONLY Vigo County parks was included.

The questions on the survey are listed below:

How often do you and/or your family visit a Vigo County Park?
(Hawthorn Park, Fowler Park, Prairie Creek Park, Wetlands, etc).

Daily
Weekly
Monthly
Several times a year
Yearly
Never

How close do you live to the nearest Vigo County park?

Less than 1 mile
1-3 miles
3.1-5 miles
5.1-7 miles
7.1-10 miles
10+ miles

What park activities do you and/or your family participate in?
(Please circle all that apply)

Basketball
Biking
Fishing
Hiking/Walking

Hunting
Labyrinth
Nature
Picnicking
Playgrounds
Research
Shelter/Barn Rentals
Special Events
Swimming
Tennis
Wetland Observation
Other: _____

Do you or those living with you participate in outdoor activities as much as you would like?

(Please circle one)

Yes No

If no, what are the reasons that you or those that live with you do not participate in outdoor activities?

Lack of time

Not convenient

Money

Lack of facilities

Lack of info

Lack of interest

Other: _____

Rate the overall quality and upkeep of the parks in Vigo County?

Great

Good

Fair

Satisfactory

Poor

Do you feel there is a need for natural/passive parks in other locations within Vigo County?

(Please circle one)

Yes No

If yes, where? _____

Do you feel all age groups and abilities are being provided for in the Vigo County Parks?

(Please circle one)

Yes No

If no, what groups are underserved? _____

Vigo County Park and Recreation Department is interested in enhancing the benefits of Prairie Creek Park by adding an Outdoor Education Center to the newly finished Elliott Woods Trail system. The Outdoor Education Center would include locations for group camping, educational meeting rooms, and

the potential for a team low-ropes challenge course. The Outdoor Education Center would serve school groups, scout groups, church groups, and other private group rentals.

Would you be in support of an Outdoor Education Center at Prairie Creek Park?

(Please circle one)

Yes No

Please list the number of individuals for each age group in your household:

0-5

6-12

13-18

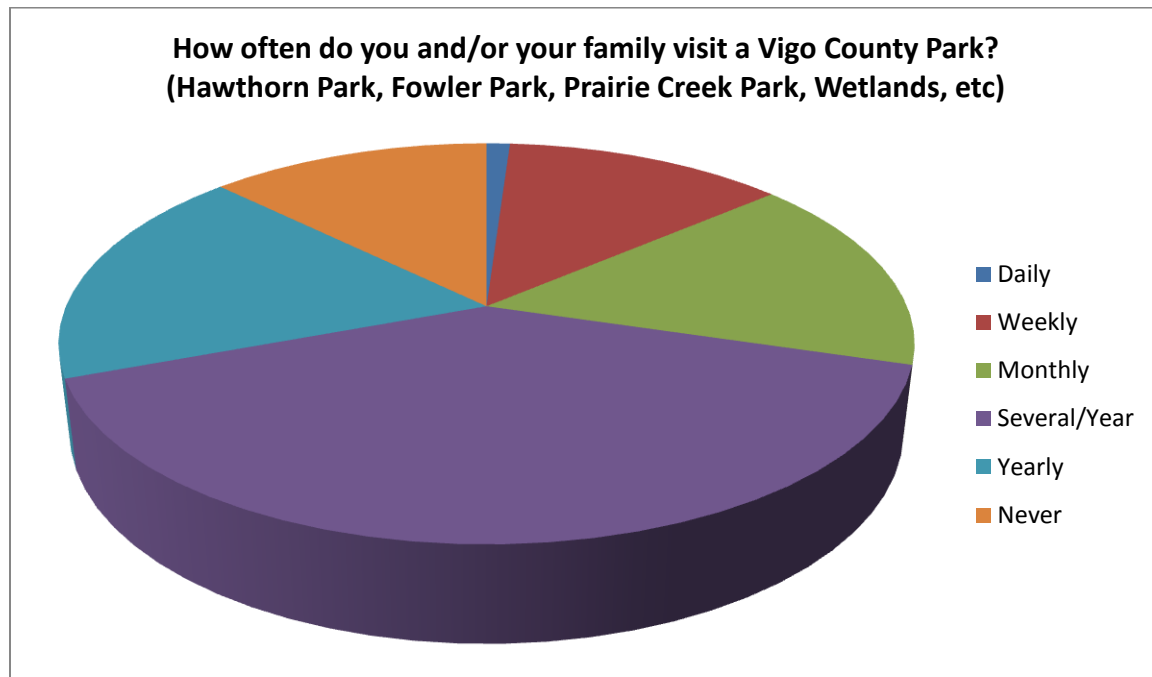
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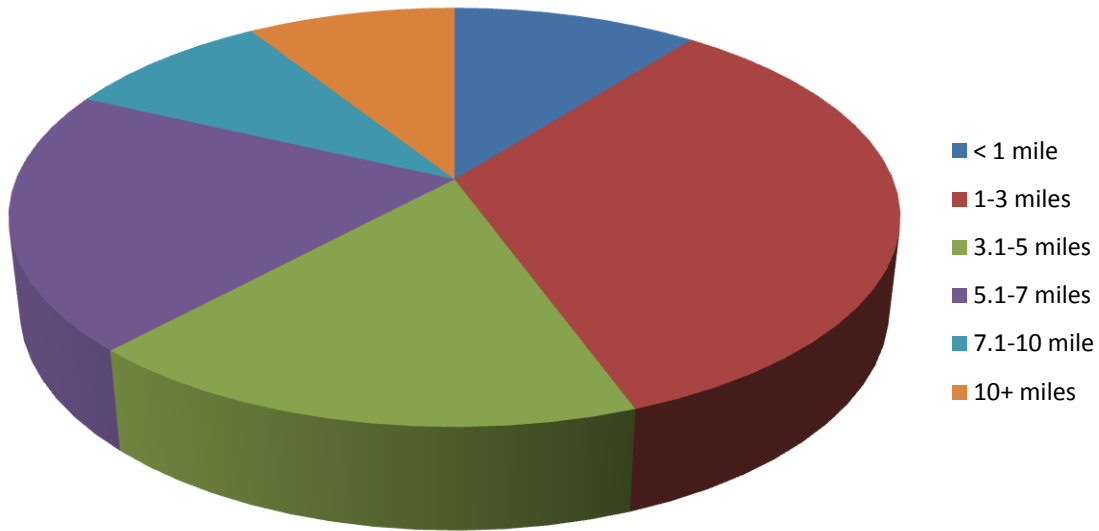
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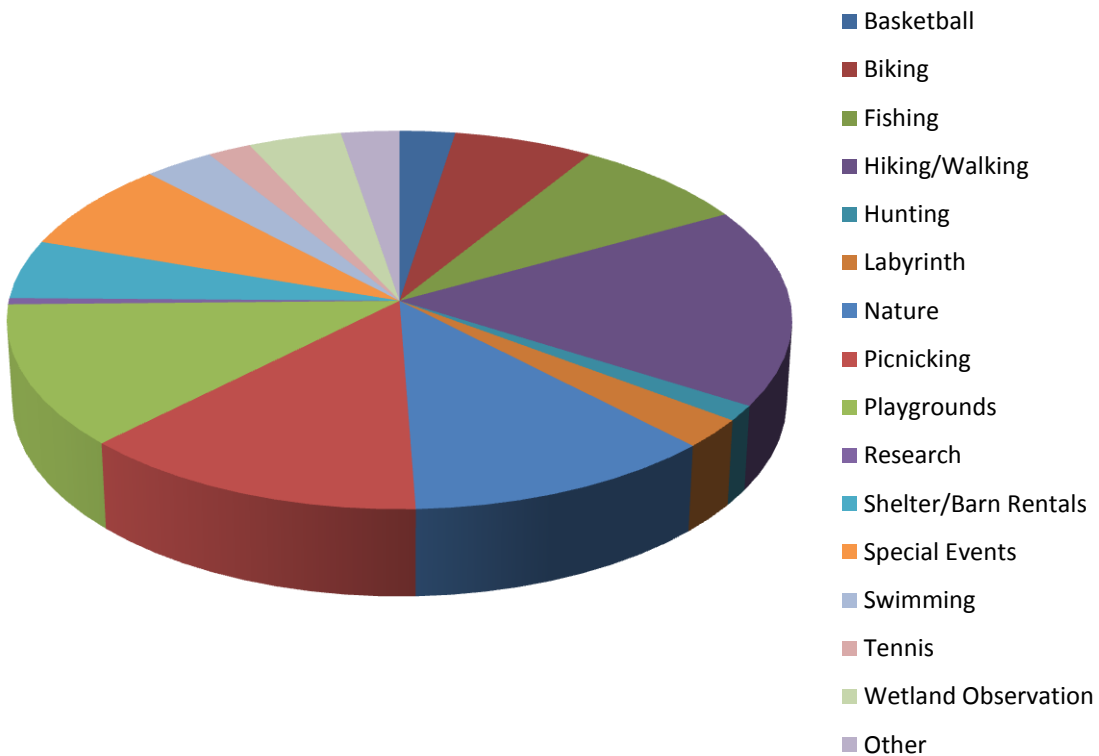
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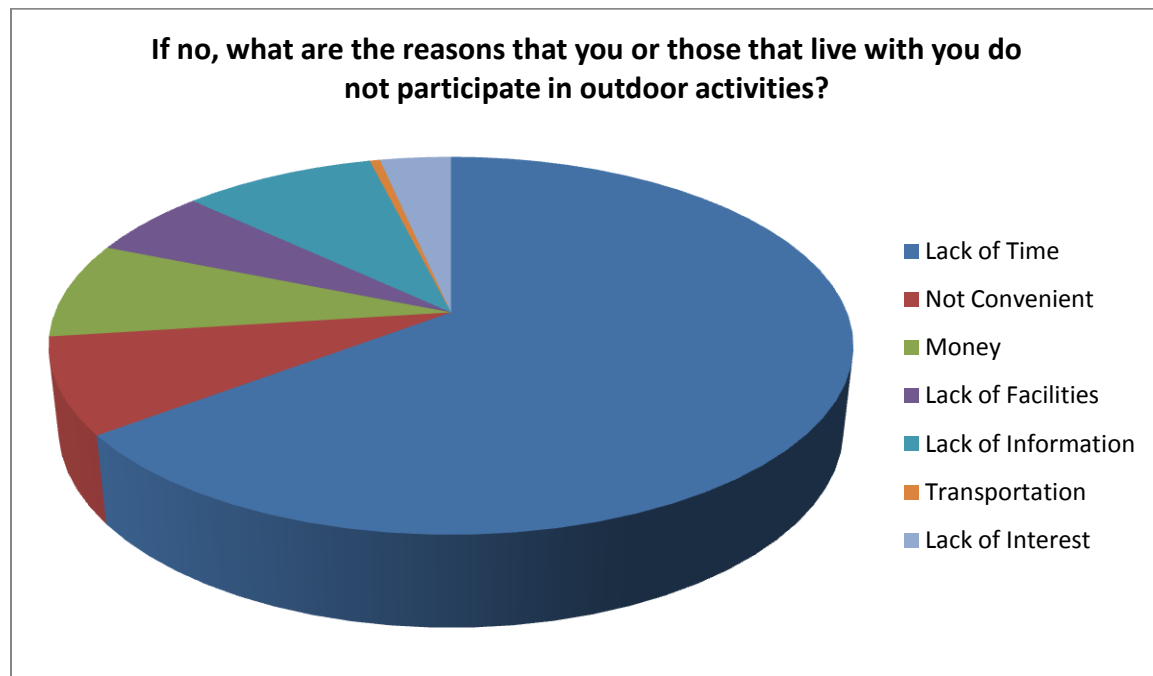


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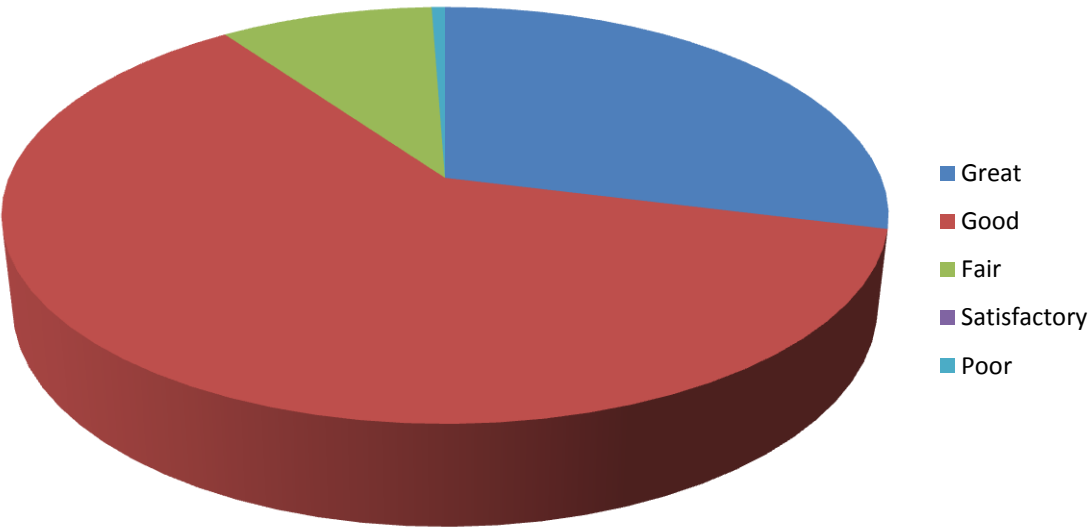


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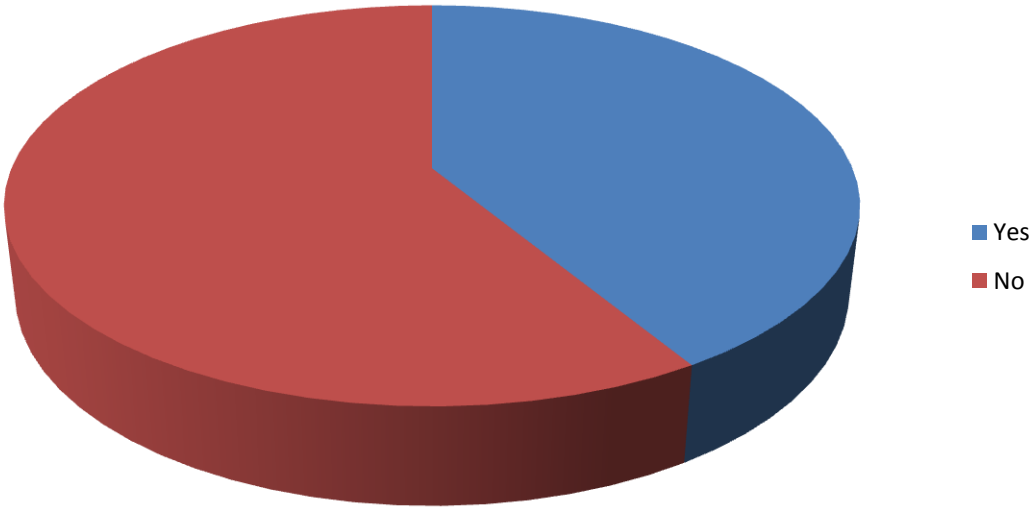




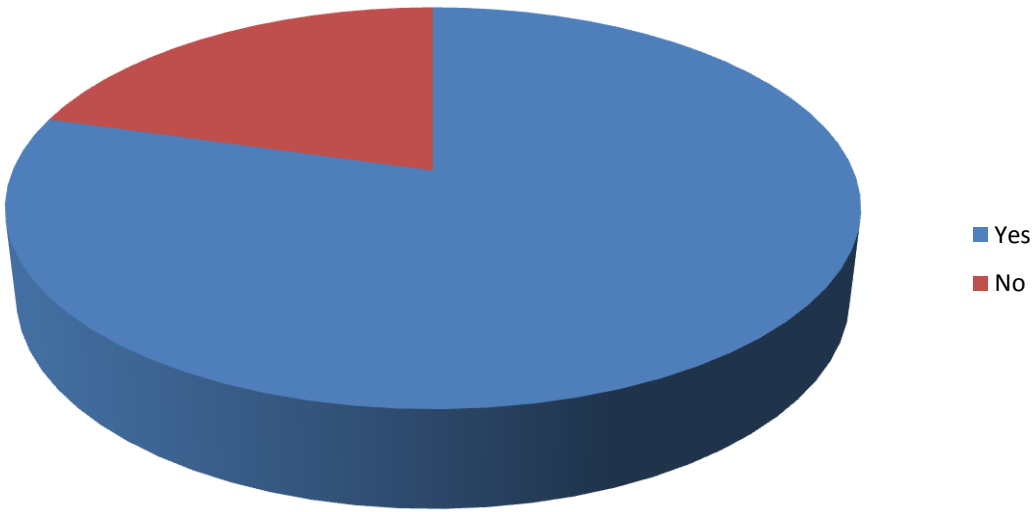
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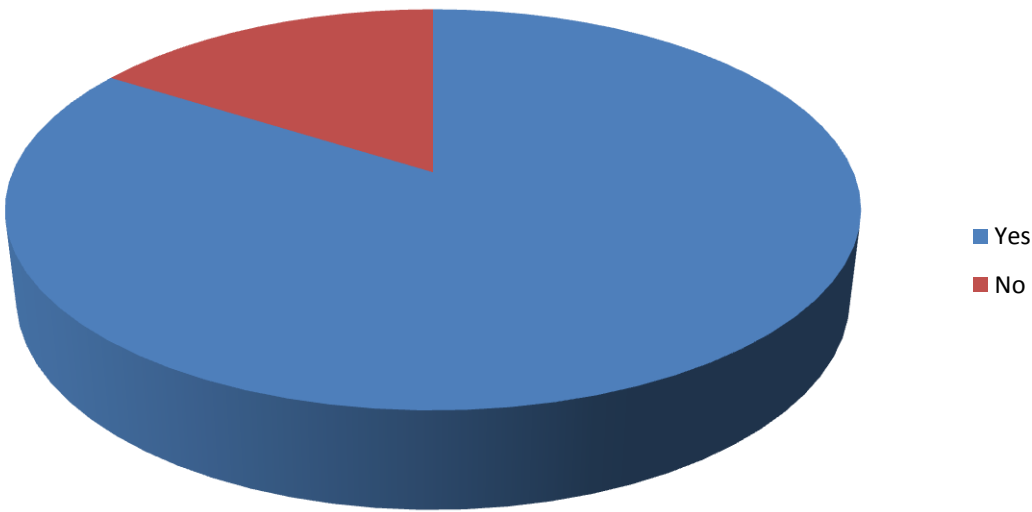
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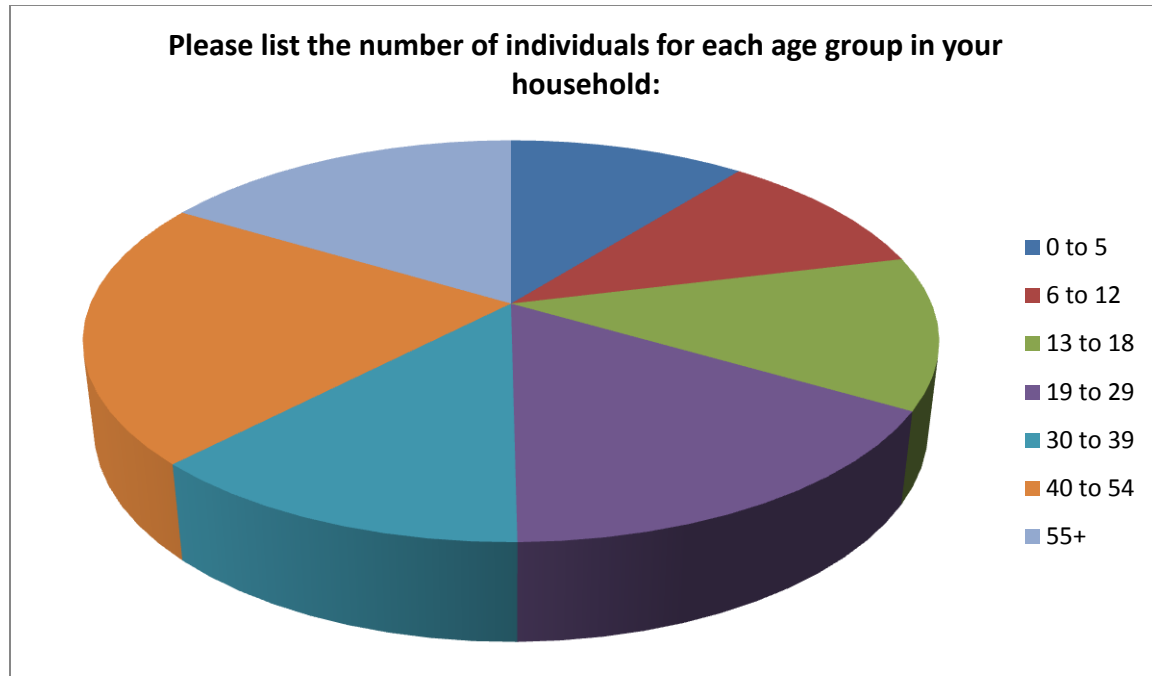


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Vigo County Parks?**



**Would you be in support of an Outdoor Education Center at Prairie
Creek Park?**





Additional Data Analysis:

Additional data analysis from this survey will factor into a future needs assessment for Vigo County Parks and Recreation Department.